English Grammar Exercises Simple, Compound and Complex Sentences

Exercise 1: Identify Sentence Types

Identify whether each sentence is simple (S), compound (C), or complex (CX).

- 1. The sun set, and the stars came out.
- 2. I enjoy hiking in the mountains.
- 3. Although it rained, we still had a great picnic.
- 4. The cat sat on the windowsill.
- 5. Maria studied hard for her exams, but she didn't perform well.

Exercise 2: Create Simple Sentences

Create a simple sentence using each set of words:

- 1. The flowers / bloom / every spring.
- 2. My friend / bake / delicious cookies.
- 3. The river / flow / gently.
- 4. The children / play / in the park.

Exercise 3: Create Compound Sentences

Combine the pairs of simple sentences into compound sentences:

- 1. The sun was shining. The sky was clear.
- 2. She finished her book. She started a new one.
- 3. I like coffee. My sister prefers tea.
- 4. They went to the beach. They also visited the museum.

Exercise 4: Create Complex Sentences

Turn each simple sentence into a complex sentence by adding a subordinate clause:

- 1. The cat slept on the windowsill.
- 2. I finished my work.

- 3. She ate dinner.
- 4. The students submitted their assignments.

Exercise 5: Identify Sentence Structure

Identify the structure of each sentence as simple (S), compound (C), or complex (CX).

- 1. Before the storm, they secured the windows. ()
- 2. She read a book, and he watched a movie. ()
- 3. The bird flew away when I opened the door. ()
- 4. My brother likes pizza, but I prefer pasta. ()
- 5. I love the beach, where I can relax and enjoy the sunsets. ()

Answers:

Exercise 1:

- 1. Compound (C)
- 2. Simple (S)
- 3. Complex (CX)
- 4. Simple (S)
- 5. Compound (C)

Exercise 2:

- 1. The flowers bloom every spring.
- 2. My friend bakes delicious cookies.
- 3. The river flows gently.
- 4. The children play in the park.

Exercise 3:

- 1. The sun was shining, and the sky was clear.
- 2. She finished her book, and she started a new one.
- 3. I like coffee, but my sister prefers tea.
- 4. They went to the beach, and they also visited the museum.

Exercise 4:

- 1. The cat slept on the windowsill where it was warm.
- 2. I finished my work before going to bed.
- 3. She ate dinner while watching her favorite TV show.
- 4. The students submitted their assignments before the deadline passed.

Exercise 5:

- 1. Complex (CX)
- 2. Compound (C)
- 3. Complex (CX)
- 4. Compound (C)
- 5. Complex (CX)

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